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In re Application of

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For:

DATA TRANSFER DEVICE, DATA TRANSFER METHOD, DATA

TRANSFER PROGRAM AND COMPUTER READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM

THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 7, line 9, change "9" to --9A--, before "configuration" insert --basic--, and before "batch" insert --a--;

line 10, after "1" insert --, and FIG. 9B is a concrete example of the batch transfer information table--;

line 11, change "10" to --10A--, delete "change of" and insert --a specific--, and after "in" insert --the--;

line 12, after "table" insert --, and FIG. 10B is a diagram showing the changed transfer information set in the batch transfer information table--.